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EOD robot destroyed in Fallujah

FALLUJAH, Iraq – Iraqi Army and Coalition forces discovered an improvised explosive device on a roadway here August 19, according to a multinational forces report.

Soldiers with 1st Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 1st Iraqi Intervention Force and 1/6 U.S. Marines secured the area and called in an explosive ordnance disposal team. The EOD team deployed a robot to get a better look at the explosive threat. While investigating the suspected IED which was a cylindrical object in the east bound lane, the IED was detonated and destroyed the robot.

The IED consisted of a 122mm artillery shell with an unknown type of receiver. Soldiers searched the area for a triggerman, with no success.

No injuries were reported.

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